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My father Thomas went to see off the Hibernians. Clapp was with them in the same hotel in Kemptown. He asked them as should he have any more. Thomas did not say yes or no. Clapp asked him to wait. When there are articles in the papers Clapp has been in the habit of sending to the printer to get them printed. He has not done so for some time.

Dublin 16th of July 1846

My dear Friend

James leaves home today. James Stuart has a short letter from him yesterday. I doubt if he will be received with the same idol as Eliza Barrett who is more loved to the capacity of the crowd - her 50 languages make them stare and nobody feels much difficulty in keeping up with the measure of her philanthropy. The English are specially fitted to be horrified by James's march, courage, independence, plainness, and uncompromising assertion of his own opinions. The Quakers are almost to a man against him as the like of him. People who go too far - it is too far - or try to force them (for in many cases it would be impossible) to think. Barrett & Clapp are staring it away in temperance and peace. Only think of such a man as Clapp who has written as he has written on priest craft and theology - holding on to the skirts of such a worshipped of both as Barrett. If Barrett don't know 50 languages let it be dishonest for him to allow people to say so before his face as he has done in England already. For my part I think it no small attainment to learn one language well - not to be speak of 50. As matters of 100 tongues would be nothing very extraordinary. I wish to put to father you when I say that my friend Robert Chepman, Queen's Square, Dublin has not yet got his Standard though I am certain I lend his name on to somebody Barrett ago at the very least.

Mr. Batten reports that the Liberator be forwarded to
the Rev. Francis Bishop, Exeter

Rev. Dr. Hutton, Unitarian Minister, London

Now as letters is a particular old gentleman I would be
glad if they could be placed in the list with out
delay. Now Robert Chapman's name can have
escaped to buy in part my comprehension. I attribute
some of it to Jags having parted with some of his notes
since his marriage. I believe it is common for young
married people to be better named for a while. The
Standard I don't think at all equal to what it was before
he was so much taken up in this way. I of course except
a few of the last numbers. Channing's speech at the Convention
is worth a year's subscription. It is truly eloquent &
genuine. That is a speech I would like to have made
What relation is he to Mr. May?

Could you oblige me by sending me "Roger's" drawings
in reply to Jackson's comments in the Lib? I would
like to see what he has to say and how he says it.

Joseph Poole has handed me \$4 or 2 dollars
for Roger's Herald. Could you convey it to him with
a message from J. Poole that he writes the paper
discontinued. I enter for your credit for the money.
It is \$4 which may not be fully a dollar.

I am afraid that in some late numbers of the
Standard very high expectations are put on its
future excellence - which is not with great energy
& earnestness to maintain its integrity.

In the Liberator and yesterday are 2 capital letters
from Douglass. Anne letter comes from Belfast that
stirred up by the Free Church treatment there he greatly
surpassed himself in Dublin & evinced extraordinary powers.
The people here in Dublin are stagnant - weighed down by
Apopry & Episcopalianism which would smother the lives out of
any people. They are the curse of Ireland. We see them
here as you cannot see them. They wear velvet gloves with
you.

I don't wonder at Douglass's leaving the British
& Foreign as he has done. It must be difficult for him to enter
into your feelings on this matter, and he is not a man to enter
into what he does not comprehend. Joseph Sturge is shuffling,
secretive, bigotted, & destitute of magnanimity - but he is bene-
volent & munificent - and it is only in these latter phases of his
character that Douglass has seen him. If J. Sturge had
heard Douglass speak as I have heard him, he would not touch
him with a pair of tongs. I look on him as an intensely bigotted
member of the Surrey School.

In Belfast a Canadian Rev. Smith, a Methodist, has
endeavored to injure Douglass by calumnious reports against
his morality & by imputing infidelity to him. One night the
town was placarded with large bills
could have come from nobody but
diabolical "ministers of Christ" - and he

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the
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his regard for he has greatly promoted the cause he
to injure. A Rev. Mr. Levesey from Providence
tried to palm himself off as an anti-slavery man on
this side here - But our indefatigable friend William
Smith (Methodist & a zealous abolitionist) published an
extract from the Liberator & circulated it among the Methodists
which effectually unmasked him by showing that the R. I. & the
Baltimore Conference are in his fellowship. He spent some of his
time here to blacken the Abolitionists - or that

I had a letter from Thompson yesterday. He thinks a private assembly
of as many Anti Slavery people who agree with your views is what
is to be ~~the~~ desired in London. Had a Convention. I agree with him.
We cannot merely rush for a Convention of 1000 the speech making
spectacle which such an occasion would call forth in London - mere
self display. We want to do something or to say things that we can't do
the only respect the nation that comes to me from your country. I hope
it will come to this that a good many will meet about 3 or 4 hundred
London. We are all yours truly J. W. Webb